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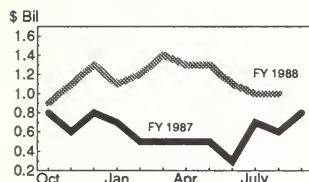
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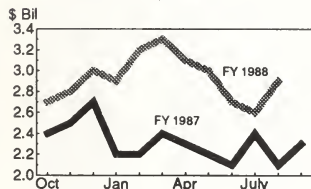
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Exports and Imports Increase in August

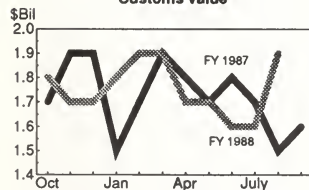
Trade Balance



Exports



Imports
Customs value



Trade Surplus - The U.S. agricultural trade surplus remained near \$1 billion for the third consecutive month in August, virtually unchanged from June and July. Exports and imports both grew substantially in August, by \$254 million and \$303 million, respectively. According to Census Bureau data, August's surplus of \$979 million exceeded August 1987 by more than 60 percent. Cumulatively, FY 1988's surplus is nearly twice the value of the same 11 months of FY 1987.

Exports - U.S. agricultural exports increased \$254 million to nearly \$2.9 billion in August, ending a 4 month decline. Corn exports jumped \$137 million, helping offset declines for vegetable oils, fruits and vegetables, cotton, and rice. Meat products, wheat, and soybean values also gained during August.

Corn exports rose 37 percent compared with July, surpassing wheat as the single largest farm product export. At \$503 million, corn exports were more than double their August 1987 value because of higher prices and a changed pattern of Soviet purchases. Almost 600,000 tons of U.S. corn went to the USSR in August 1988, compared with an average 36,000 tons during August of 1980-87. August 1979 was the last instance of large, early movement to the USSR. Compared with July, U.S. corn exports were also higher to Japan and Eastern Europe.

Export prices also rose, despite a retreat in U.S. market prices during August. At \$130 per metric ton, the average price of U.S. corn exports reached its highest level since October 1984.

Soybean exports rose \$47 million from July as larger shipments to Mexico and Japan offset a slight decline in prices. While August soybean export prices eased following 2 months of double-digit rate growth, prices remained substantially

above August 1987. Export value matched August 1987 despite a 46 percent drop in volume.

Higher export prices for wheat offset a decline in volume from July, and wheat exports rose \$26 million. Reduced shipments to China and Egypt offset increased exports to India and Pakistan. Export prices rose in lagged response to drought-induced market price gains, and Export Enhancement Program bonuses shrank.

Cotton exports declined seasonally, while vegetable oil and rice exports fell with fluctuations in Government-assisted shipments.

Imports - U.S. agricultural imports during August rebounded to nearly \$1.9 billion, their highest level since March 1988. Imports declined 4 consecutive months from April through July, largely due to seasonal factors. August imports of most commodities rose: fruits, meats, live animals, vegetable oils, coffee, cocoa, rubber, and sugar exceeded July import levels. Only dairy products and wine were lower. This brings the October-August total to \$19.4 billion, 2 percent above the same period a year ago.

EEP Sales Higher - FY 1988 sales under the Export Enhancement Program (EEP) of about \$3.3 billion were almost double fiscal 1987 sales. Wheat, sorghum, rice, and vegetable oil led EEP-assisted sales in 1988. EEP wheat sales reached 26.3 million tons, including sales to the USSR, China, and North Africa. The Middle East and Eastern Europe took the majority of the 1.7 million tons of barley and 213,000 tons of sorghum sold under EEP in fiscal 1988. Importers in Jordan and Turkey purchased 171,000 tons of rice. Vegetable oil sales under the program skyrocketed to 357,000 tons, primarily to importers in North Africa, the Middle East, and India.

Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity group and unit	October-August				August			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Total agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	25,526,606	32,024,327	--	--	2,135,236	2,876,352
Animals & animal products (NA)	--	--	4,556,532	5,396,537	--	--	419,962	599,997
Animals live - ex poultry (NO)	247	555	277,597	370,898	23	186	35,058	69,190
Cattle & calves (NO)	111	205	91,006	137,686	12	74	9,130	37,432
Horses, mules, burros (NO)	18	24	177,732	215,184	1	3	25,303	26,987
Swine (NO)	7	1	5,112	7,283	1	6	4,741	1,217
Other live animals (NO)	111	308	3,548	10,745	10	102	184	3,370
Meats & meat products (MT)	502	567	1,181,379	1,599,857	43	69	104,492	198,220
Beef & veal (MT)	201	199	666,368	888,564	19	23	60,655	115,904
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	197	195	650,717	872,216	18	22	59,270	114,206
Beef - prep or pres (MT)	4	4	15,651	16,348	0	0	1,384	1,698
Horsemeat-fr, chill, froz (MT)	35	45	65,020	90,291	3	6	6,483	8,900
Pork (MT)	22	52	94,158	210,067	2	6	8,741	22,844
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	22	46	81,656	193,712	1	5	5,738	20,541
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	5	6	12,502	16,355	0	1	1,003	2,303
Variety meats, edib offals (MT)	226	254	325,241	366,169	18	34	27,445	45,945
Other meats - fr or prep (MT)	13	17	30,592	44,766	1	2	3,168	4,627
Poultry & poultry products (NA)	--	--	542,049	580,832	--	--	53,572	58,487
Poultry - live (NO)	28,995	40,467	65,641	75,518	2,500	3,952	5,664	5,873
Baby chicks (NO)	23,439	36,566	56,038	69,445	2,120	3,634	4,797	5,222
Other live poultry (NA)	--	--	9,603	6,073	--	--	667	651
Poultry meats (MT)	340	354	368,445	379,670	35	35	39,725	43,093
Chickens - fr or froz (MT)	310	312	327,503	328,431	35	31	36,691	37,246
Turkeys - fr or froz (MT)	12	22	15,839	21,705	1	2	932	2,027
Other poultry - fr or froz (MT)	18	14	14,747	19,913	1	1	1,778	1,848
Poultry meat, prep or pres (MT)	5	6	12,356	14,622	0	1	974	2,364
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	3	2	34,363	28,449	0	0	1,918	1,981
Eggs (NA)	--	--	73,601	97,195	--	--	6,465	7,540
Dairy prods (MT)	403	345	435,179	453,131	43	39	50,395	60,284
Evap & condensed milk (MT)	2	2	2,021	2,168	0	0	116	172
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	30	216	198,815	201,661	34	23	23,642	29,334
Butter & buttermilk (MT)	13	7	16,507	7,997	1	0	1,313	518
Cheese (MT)	15	22	28,243	40,110	2	4	3,608	5,731
Whey, fluid or dried (MT)	28	48	20,915	29,068	2	5	1,721	3,103
Other dairy prods (MT)	41	50	168,678	172,125	3	7	19,995	21,524
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	1,115	1,212	378,315	480,622	91	103	32,722	44,589
Lard (MT)	63	49	20,664	23,760	4	5	1,622	2,544
Tallow - inedible (MT)	1,000	1,061	324,010	403,210	73	88	25,012	36,745
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	72	103	33,741	53,673	15	10	6,088	5,279
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	1,547,663	1,693,333	--	--	128,220	146,088
Cattle hides - whole (NO)	22,546	21,872	1,154,614	1,331,820	1,961	2,145	110,200	126,329
Other cattle hides (NA)	--	--	21,561	21,062	--	--	498	2,433
Oth hides, skins, ex furs (NA)	--	--	95,878	136,079	--	--	11,063	11,848
Furskins (NA)	--	--	275,609	204,377	--	--	5,400	3,790
Mink pelts (NO)	2,687	2,345	99,789	84,627	51	102	1,671	3,390
Other furskins (NA)	--	--	175,820	119,750	--	--	3,789	2,087
Wool & mohair (MT)	7	6	49,455	37,768	0	1	2,022	4,080
Sausage casings (MT)	8	10	20,347	26,995	0	1	1,064	2,997
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	30,468	35,273	--	--	7,079	3,675
Misc animal products (MT)	30	46	94,080	111,128	3	5	8,068	1,708
Grains & feeds (MT)	81,579	99,487	8,193,397	11,210,229	7,361	8,328	742,221	1,205,199
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	24,940	37,028	2,537,656	3,976,246	3,069	2,923	293,383	406,536
Wheat flour (MT)	1,225	1,079	194,206	161,662	94	120	16,385	26,550
Bulgur wheat (MT)	146	137	23,996	24,224	12	10	2,292	1,779
Other wheat prods (MT)	7	13	6,562	8,412	0	1	583	792
Rice, all types (MT)	2,239	1,998	504,698	668,569	233	115	49,084	43,392
Feed grains & prods (MT)	43,478	48,559	3,429,399	4,602,695	3,227	4,254	264,737	554,125
Feed grains (MT)	43,273	48,341	3,366,970	4,536,667	3,211	4,236	259,802	547,927
Barley (MT)	2,728	2,653	222,575	208,619	194	48	15,975	5,359
Corn (MT)	35,859	40,285	2,783,909	3,844,850	2,825	3,890	227,773	503,014
Corn sorghums (MT)	4,667	5,389	357,881	481,811	192	297	16,008	39,446
Feed grain prods (MT)	205	218	62,229	66,028	15	17	4,335	6,198
Pecan (MT)	43	18	19,563	19,611	4	7	1,255	3,200
Blended food prods (MT)	138	180	33,976	50,870	13	15	3,231	3,597
Other grain prods (MT)	158	207	114,398	143,216	12	29	10,913	18,578
Feeds and fodders (MT)	9,206	10,226	1,328,943	1,544,725	696	856	99,657	145,431
Corn by-products (MT)	5,238	5,440	712,246	750,639	339	423	41,640	61,390
Alfalfa meal & cubes (MT)	608	612	80,580	82,992	67	76	8,356	11,074
Beet pulp (MT)	654	798	82,167	89,273	29	3	3,761	6,275
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	515	600	55,964	78,697	0	3	0	0
Other feeds & fodders (MT)	2,191	2,777	398,007	543,124	261	300	45,899	65,955
Fruits & prep, ex juice (MT)	1,612	1,833	1,164,031	1,334,064	120	138	99,315	119,236
Fruits, fresh (MT)	1,365	1,572	861,094	981,168	92	113	65,781	84,185
Fruits fresh, citrus (MT)	896	930	474,451	508,157	38	50	22,650	31,441
Grapefruit (MT)	350	436	159,749	221,352	6	15	3,076	5,137
Lemons & limes (MT)	151	153	85,434	89,780	11	11	7,731	9,950
Oranges & tangerines (MT)	395	331	222,106	189,498	20	23	11,109	13,365
Other citrus - fresh (MT)	9	9	7,162	7,527	1	1	763	655
Fruits, fresh, noncitrus (MT)	469	641	386,643	473,011	55	63	43,131	52,744
Apples (MT)	160	288	88,333	123,432	6	6	12,143	3,121
Grapes (MT)	85	88	87,411	93,233	13	14	14,166	16,166
Other noncitrus (MT)	229	271	210,933	256,346	36	43	27,247	35,777
Fruits - dried (MT)	134	148	200,144	234,491	14	15	22,706	24,488
Raisins (MT)	74	86	109,515	131,771	10	11	15,471	17,196
Prunes (MT)	47	54	71,686	85,910	4	4	5,714	6,124
Other dried fruits (MT)	9	8	18,944	16,809	1	1	6,582	1,168
Fruits - canned, ex juice (MT)	59	67	59,426	70,469	5	5	6,082	4,931
Fruits - frozen, ex juice (MT)	21	25	17,065	21,818	6	6	2,641	3,070
Other fruits, prep or pres (MT)	37	22	26,302	23,119	5	2	2,505	2,362

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Commodity group and unit	October-August				August			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Fruit juices, incl froz (HL)	3,985	5,054	168,855	231,052	321	607	13,501	26,511
Orange juice (HL)	2,049	2,274	80,075	104,942	149	216	5,635	10,673
Other fruit juices (HL)	1,936	2,779	88,780	126,110	172	391	7,866	15,838
Wine (HL)	32	51	45,051	68,471	3	5	4,465	7,370
Nuts & prep (MT)	359	392	675,902	800,039	40	36	60,567	72,033
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	78	157	371,854	514,515	8	19	32,714	57,520
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	196	142	152,572	107,771	28	6	20,322	4,907
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	68	69	97,141	110,460	2	3	2,822	3,006
Pecans, shelled/unshelled (MT)	1	2	5,235	6,695	0	0	628	1,048
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	16	21	49,100	60,598	1	5	4,082	5,552
Vegetables & preparations (MT)	1,513	1,682	1,094,682	1,176,366	89	122	67,988	92,719
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	505	598	240,293	291,231	22	38	10,257	16,544
Celery (MT)	52	53	15,792	17,044	2	2	524	960
Lettuce (MT)	105	171	33,000	54,826	6	8	2,225	2,916
Potatoes (MT)	49	33	18,954	12,675	2	2	720	918
Tomatoes (MT)	59	71	37,685	45,874	3	6	1,693	3,621
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	240	270	134,862	160,813	10	19	5,095	8,130
Vegetables - frozen (MT)	166	219	126,495	154,417	15	21	11,521	15,721
Potatoes (MT)	97	122	73,971	82,336	10	13	6,848	9,453
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	69	97	52,523	72,081	6	8	4,672	6,268
Vegetables - canned (MT)	122	154	96,796	124,411	9	12	7,301	9,831
Pulses (MT)	506	469	249,984	190,866	25	26	10,748	11,638
Dried beans (MT)	385	315	204,648	141,735	15	14	7,460	7,219
Dried peas (MT)	94	120	31,441	36,676	7	7	2,115	2,535
Dried lentils (MT)	27	34	13,895	12,454	3	4	1,172	1,884
Hops, incl hop extract (MT)	6	8	53,728	57,065	0	0	1,399	2,441
Other veg - prep or pres (MT)	208	234	327,385	358,376	18	24	26,763	36,543
Oilseeds & products (MT)	27,708	27,608	5,840,254	7,101,918	2,040	1,357	476,257	469,253
Oilcake & meal (MT)	6,586	6,014	1,305,241	1,389,392	358	291	75,363	80,150
Soybean meal (MT)	6,432	5,825	1,284,838	1,359,772	347	259	74,065	75,297
Other oilcake & meal (MT)	154	189	20,403	29,619	12	32	1,298	4,853
Oilseeds (MT)	20,244	20,047	4,071,193	4,855,675	1,526	997	326,885	337,815
Soybeans (MT)	19,778	19,621	3,872,325	4,642,485	1,485	975	309,472	322,745
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	289	248	76,313	83,963	24	4	5,447	1,965
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	49	34	40,590	27,109	5	0	3,822	337
Other oilseeds (MT)	295	215	23,849	28,587	9	13	3,088	3,888
Protein substances (MT)	33	45	58,116	73,531	3	6	5,136	9,080
Vegetable oils (MT)	878	1,547	463,820	856,851	155	69	74,009	51,289
Soybean oil (MT)	436	767	181,183	384,186	118	36	48,842	22,965
Cottonseed oil (MT)	86	175	41,963	88,559	6	8	2,516	5,361
Sunflower oil (MT)	138	297	59,804	131,946	11	4	4,700	2,699
Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	218	308	180,870	252,160	20	20	19,241	20,644
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	244	214	1,152,562	1,215,164	7	11	34,503	70,115
Tobacco - burley (MT)	47	44	264,062	281,588	0	3	1,698	19,155
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	115	122	717,854	763,316	4	5	24,236	37,859
Other tobacco - unmf (MT)	52	48	170,647	170,260	3	3	8,569	13,101
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	1,238	1,331	1,326,127	2,049,689	92	58	116,804	87,980
Cotton linters (MT)	23	35	182	31,018	1	4	544	1,529
Essential oils (MT)	7	8	102,416	109,892	1	0	8,644	8,310
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	287	273	348,593	388,305	20	19	20,757	25,494
Sugar & tropical prods (MT)	1,010	792	625,841	662,299	64	49	50,278	66,370
Sugar & related prods (MT)	919	689	186,702	186,990	55	38	14,294	21,273
Sugar (MT)	558	289	106,079	87,974	25	28	6,291	11,620
Related sugar prods (MT)	361	400	80,623	99,016	30	9	8,003	9,653
Coffee (MT)	13	11	82,925	72,317	1	2	4,561	7,219
Cocoa (MT)	6	6	14,457	12,455	1	1	1,636	1,656
Chocolate & prep (MT)	21	28	70,491	97,048	2	3	6,761	9,268
Tea & mate (MT)	7	3	13,240	16,101	0	0	1,514	1,124
Spices (MT)	40	3	21,983	24,091	1	1	2,101	2,422
Flavoring sirups & ext (MT)	22	24	203,455	213,854	2	2	16,669	18,423
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	18	23	31,724	38,235	2	3	2,668	4,905
Fibers ex cotton (MT)	1	1	864	1,209	0	0	73	79
Other misc veg prods (MT)	20	23	102,761	116,607	2	2	7,496	8,077
Nursery & greenhouse prods (NA)	--	--	59,326	73,606	--	--	3,974	5,825
Beverages ex juices (HL)	94	139	61,095	77,072	12	17	7,962	10,332
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	--	--	7,434,046	9,188,350	--	--	1,010,519	1,033,884
Fertilizers (NA)	--	--	2,048,082	2,270,838	--	--	240,813	250,418
Fish & shellfish (MT)	484	539	1,369,707	2,001,912	88	73	367,764	330,782
Fish - fresh or prep (MT)	248	317	900,610	1,343,178	70	55	319,748	273,958
Shellfish (MT)	53	66	321,822	445,714	3	4	16,377	24,033
Other fish prods (MT)	184	156	147,275	213,019	15	15	31,640	32,791
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	239	258	1,355,772	1,488,662	23	25	103,557	117,738
Fungicides (MT)	40	35	207,598	200,288	3	3	11,597	18,073
Herbicides (MT)	121	148	661,756	804,045	13	14	55,594	59,542
Insecticides (MT)	57	53	349,223	353,601	6	5	26,297	28,516
Other pesticides (MT)	20	22	137,195	130,729	1	2	10,069	10,815
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	806,673	915,175	--	--	74,300	98,222
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	48	60	359,969	408,286	2	4	33,199	38,570
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	--	--	446,704	506,889	--	--	41,100	59,652
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	1,853,813	2,511,762	--	--	224,085	236,725

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity and unit	October-August				August			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Total agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	19,069,181	19,360,886	--	--	1,535,706	1,856,906
Noncompetitive ag imports (NA)	--	--	6,290,037	5,977,980	--	--	479,532	599,015
Bananas & plantains (MT)	2,857	2,784	749,764	753,226	241	254	66,643	70,080
Coffee, incl prods (MT)	1,098	971	3,009,544	2,400,317	91	100	196,150	252,207
Cocoa & prods (MT)	473	526	1,022,632	1,009,654	40	48	8,777	90,265
Tea (MT)	75	82	106,167	113,834	6	8	8,425	11,487
Spices (MT)	95	83	366,273	326,287	8	7	30,364	24,004
Rubber & allied gums, crude (MT)	762	786	656,689	867,570	60	85	56,030	108,365
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	6,933	6,337	0	0	489	677
Wool, unmfgr - carpet (MT)	1,589	659	43,549	43,424	526	1	5,417	3,738
Fibers, excl cotton (MT)	41	42	21,359	22,866	4	4	2,021	2,132
Essential oils (MT)	11	11	106,295	129,867	1	1	8,677	15,008
Drugs - crude natural (MT)	44	44	185,260	202,911	3	5	16,202	15,008
Other noncompetitive imports (NA)	--	--	15,712	17,666	--	--	1,344	1,228
Competitive ag imports (NA)	--	--	12,779,145	13,382,906	--	--	1,056,174	1,257,891
Animals & prods (NA)	--	--	4,628,833	4,859,010	--	--	396,734	433,839
Animals - live, ex poultry (NO)	1,936	2,070	592,589	672,183	59	137	19,975	46,165
Cattle (NO)	1,421	1,379	453,422	557,850	49	49	11,873	38,175
Horses & mules (NO)	10	10	92,000	53,230	1	1	3,653	3,392
Swine (NO)	376	581	44,937	57,700	34	83	4,064	7,466
Other live animals (NO)	129	100	2,227	3,703	5	4	384	132
Meats & prods, ex poultry (MT)	1,169	1,189	2,540,902	2,589,161	111	114	245,651	243,492
Beef & veal (MT)	707	724	1,423,682	1,557,708	70	75	145,101	160,429
Beef & veal - fr or froz (MT)	653	653	1,232,422	1,376,619	62	66	122,128	140,130
Beef & veal - prep or pres (MT)	62	71	192,222	184,089	8	8	22,973	19,698
Pork (MT)	424	423	1,028,443	932,442	38	37	92,737	74,998
Pork - fr or froz (MT)	276	275	546,588	481,381	26	24	52,975	40,294
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	148	148	481,855	451,061	12	12	39,761	34,704
Mutton goat & lamb (MT)	17	19	28,927	37,080	1	1	2,174	3,056
Mutton goat & lamb-fr/frz (MT)	16	19	28,262	35,603	1	1	2,106	2,647
Horsemeat - fr or froz (MT)	0	0	23	18	0	0	0	0
Variety meats - fr or froz (MT)	8	9	10,001	11,989	1	1	1,289	1,004
Other meats - fr or froz (MT)	3	4	12,963	17,887	0	0	1,955	1,034
Other meats & prods (MT)	11	10	34,864	32,037	1	1	3,395	2,971
Poultry and prods (NA)	--	--	104,198	89,116	--	--	8,712	8,154
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	9,415	7,341	--	--	978	698
Poultry meat (MT)	--	3	13,247	11,633	0	0	909	906
Eggs (NA)	--	--	13,670	13,168	--	--	1,125	1,559
Feathers & down - crude (MT)	11	8	67,866	56,974	1	1	5,700	4,991
Dairy products (MT)	369	308	753,293	809,976	31	30	70,243	84,100
Milk & cream, fr or dried (MT)	13	14	12,405	13,971	1	1	628	457
Butter & butterfat mixtures (MT)	1	1	1,779	1,700	0	0	136	141
Cheese (MT)	115	110	361,499	371,239	11	11	34,044	33,659
Casein & mixtures (MT)	102	90	210,104	271,793	10	9	22,548	34,600
Other dairy prods (MT)	138	93	167,505	175,273	8	9	12,888	15,242
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	19	19	16,431	17,820	1	2	1,059	1,807
Hides & skins (NA)	--	--	287,365	231,951	--	--	22,600	18,415
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	6	5	34,403	39,762	0	1	2,587	3,836
Other hides & skins (MT)	40	23	33,882	51,617	2	2	6,868	6,868
Furskins (NA)	--	--	219,579	140,572	--	--	16,918	10,210
Wool - unmfgr, apparel grades (MT)	41	42	144,367	239,964	3	2	12,198	12,465
Sausage casings (MT)	11	11	53,358	61,436	1	1	4,670	5,956
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	3,180	2,501	--	--	184	191
Misc animal prods (NA)	--	--	133,151	144,902	--	--	11,443	13,097
Grains & feeds (MT)	2,148	2,813	660,311	795,500	166	290	60,188	84,155
Wheat, excluding seed (MT)	316	361	32,850	45,084	12	73	1,607	9,861
Oats, unmilled (MT)	484	715	39,895	81,535	22	62	2,141	8,207
Barley, unmilled (MT)	139	261	11,783	20,712	5	7	340	534
Rice, all grades (MT)	78	94	32,648	45,859	6	11	2,568	4,880
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	117	114	239,618	243,803	11	11	23,621	24,400
Pasta & noodles (MT)	97	97	74,657	77,172	9	10	6,743	7,486
Other grains & prods (MT)	199	265	127,332	127,470	18	18	14,111	12,881
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	718	907	108,527	143,865	82	98	11,729	15,606
Fruits & preps (MT)	1,520	1,552	936,416	963,446	69	75	49,983	59,417
Fruits - fr or froz (MT)	1,105	1,146	608,821	637,175	35	38	23,909	30,534
Strawberries (MT)	49	46	42,890	34,758	1	1	682	675
Apples, fresh (MT)	134	117	67,497	49,386	2	2	799	528
Citrus, fresh (MT)	70	85	21,205	14,416	5	6	1,302	1,188
Grapes, fresh (MT)	244	295	206,522	252,769	0	0	17	20
Mangoes (MT)	51	33	30,549	27,252	10	8	4,666	6,086
Melons (MT)	335	340	86,126	85,589	0	0	4	27
Pineapples (MT)	75	74	21,158	25,473	5	5	1,568	2,139
Other fruits - fr or froz (MT)	146	156	132,876	138,533	12	15	14,832	19,874
Fruits - prep or pres (MT)	416	406	327,571	326,271	34	37	26,079	28,884
Pineapples, canned or prep (MT)	226	222	138,233	142,999	20	20	12,329	11,723
Other fruits, prep or pres (MT)	190	184	189,362	183,672	14	17	13,746	17,161
Orange juice (HL)	19,788	15,549	394,722	469,580	1,800	1,736	41,378	60,924
Other fruit juices (HL)	11,692	8,940	278,948	224,774	838	928	19,083	22,604
Nuts & preparations (MT)	141	128	354,390	302,900	12	13	34,847	30,826
Brazil nuts (MT)	1	0	15,028	11,641	2	1	1,004	1,004
Cashew nuts (MT)	39	36	238,390	196,866	4	4	25,432	21,014
Chestnuts (MT)	4	4	7,241	7,080	0	0	97	287
Coconut meat (MT)	49	39	38,860	35,927	4	4	3,442	4,005
Filberts (MT)	2	2	7,360	6,979	0	0	174	409
Macademia nuts (MT)	1	1	7,748	9,751	0	0	1,564	1,743
Pistachio nuts (MT)	2	2	8,817	5,896	0	0	625	131
Other nuts (MT)	34	37	35,954	28,759	2	3	1,510	2,057

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity (continued)

Commodity and unit	October-August				August			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1986/87	1987/88	1986/87	1987/88	1987	1988	1987	1988
Vegetables & preparations (MT)	2,301	2,341	1,408,949	1,482,787	119	147	92,421	106,415
Vegetables - fr or froz (MT)	1,591	1,622	657,713	681,071	58	84	28,900	39,843
Tomatoes (MT)	424	350	169,280	153,643	10	27	3,855	10,624
Asparagus (MT)	15	14	19,325	19,114	1	1	912	812
Beans (MT)	13	13	9,766	10,484	0	1	166	300
Carrots (MT)	36	50	10,511	19,450	3	3	1,042	1,097
Cucumbers (MT)	190	213	54,183	48,385	1	0	497	328
Eggplant (MT)	13	18	5,457	9,269	0	0	0	2
Garlic (MT)	17	17	17,026	11,052	1	1	683	1,095
Onions (MT)	157	187	55,137	77,631	2	3	1,534	1,977
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	23	26	22,830	24,141	1	3	1,420	2,298
Peppers (MT)	108	125	58,605	70,646	6	4	3,433	4,097
Potatoes (MT)	206	204	46,783	40,415	5	6	1,886	2,423
Squash (MT)	68	61	35,178	31,854	1	1	236	212
Other vgs - fr or froz (MT)	320	342	153,632	173,987	27	30	13,638	14,633
Vegetables-prep/pres (MT)	711	719	751,236	801,716	61	63	63,521	66,573
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	70	70	99,405	119,252	8	5	9,402	9,715
Mushrooms - canned (MT)	74	50	128,416	113,605	4	4	10,567	9,243
Hops, incl extract (MT)	6	5	34,956	26,802	0	0	118	129
Artichokes - prep (MT)	19	16	23,470	30,313	3	2	3,714	5,170
Asparagus - prep (MT)	3	2	4,709	4,490	0	0	205	844
Tomatoes, incl paste & sauce (MT)	120	116	60,065	65,826	6	4	3,465	2,374
Waterchestnuts (MT)	33	31	26,854	23,641	3	3	1,886	1,866
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	39	40	19,607	17,868	5	4	2,409	2,149
Other vegetables-prep/pres (MT)	346	390	353,353	399,919	31	41	31,735	35,083
Sugar & related prods (MT)	2,746	2,218	700,167	562,513	207	290	38,331	70,253
Sugar - cane & beet (MT)	1,365	970	455,886	332,286	60	144	17,123	47,689
Molasses - inedible (MT)	1,029	883	68,626	62,916	114	110	5,546	6,694
Confectionery prods (MT)	43	37	66,206	57,580	4	5	5,747	5,878
Other sugar & related prods (MT)	309	327	109,449	109,751	29	32	9,916	9,992
Spices (MT)	20	21	26,513	29,762	1	1	1,647	1,898
Tobacco - unmf (MT)	210	197	596,785	551,492	22	19	68,054	58,361
Tobacco - filler (MT)	169	164	552,376	512,915	18	16	63,116	53,852
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	18	13	23,679	16,859	1	1	1,660	1,103
Other tobacco (MT)	23	20	20,730	21,718	2	2	3,278	3,406
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	14,322	14,289	1,769,554	1,846,770	1,354	1,525	185,831	173,066
Wine (HL)	3,137	2,995	879,353	901,547	231	232	65,838	67,830
Malt beverages (HL)	9,903	10,352	784,202	860,281	976	1,164	78,585	95,641
Other beverages (HL)	1,282	1,143	105,999	84,943	146	129	11,408	9,596
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	1,424	1,583	522,528	754,260	132	208	52,571	98,105
Oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	143	188	51,239	63,732	16	15	4,847	6,260
Flaxseed (MT)	43	62	6,435	11,973	7	7	976	2,279
Sesameseed (MT)	39	35	24,323	25,804	2	3	1,774	2,014
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	65	91	19,882	25,955	6	6	2,097	1,967
Oils & waxes-vegetable (MT)	1,060	1,165	444,324	652,971	92	160	44,809	86,216
Castor oil (MT)	42	27	25,983	24,607	1	0	649	5
Coconut oil (MT)	433	460	130,279	216,598	47	56	17,700	28,435
Olive oil (MT)	57	69	93,565	113,306	6	8	9,517	11,748
Palm oil (MT)	208	138	54,213	49,273	15	10	4,717	3,915
Palm kernel oil (MT)	164	187	52,120	91,029	11	16	4,425	8,322
Other oils & waxes-vegetable (MT)	155	284	88,164	158,159	11	71	7,802	33,790
Oilcake & meal (MT)	222	230	26,964	37,557	24	33	2,915	5,629
Cotton, excl linters (MT)	1	0	700	455	0	0	0	0
Cotton linters (MT)	35	34	5,963	7,914	2	5	410	1,114
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	128	137	144,486	142,494	4	7	8,395	12,375
Cut flowers (NA)	--	--	219,872	251,627	--	--	16,301	19,678
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	--	--	103,896	115,643	--	--	16,995	20,264
Other vegetable prods (MT)	--	13	26,114	32,009	--	2	3,004	4,595
Selected non-ag imports (NA)	--	--	8,000,735	8,435,976	--	--	716,090	694,089
Fertilizers (MT)	13,141	14,375	963,100	1,281,869	895	1,065	68,524	95,449
Potassium (MT)	5,886	6,446	113,307	579,844	381	513	13,875	49,395
Nitrogen (MT)	5,922	6,460	499,359	545,018	415	480	34,414	43,295
Phosphate (MT)	681	790	45,186	50,584	65	34	4,578	1,601
Mixed or organic fertilizers (MT)	652	680	105,248	106,423	35	38	5,659	6,158
Fish (MT)	32,111	34,078	4,978,026	4,505,664	2,995	3,836	479,143	401,331
Fish fresh or prep (MT)	893	690	2,362,187	1,892,704	90	59	241,015	162,960
Shellfish (MT)	312	310	2,465,956	2,498,768	30	29	225,102	219,025
Other fish products (MT)	30,907	33,078	1,698,883	1,114,199	2,875	3,747	13,026	19,366
Ag chemicals (MT)	57	76	317,825	412,990	4	1	15,678	5,550
Fungicides (MT)	6	6	33,840	44,538	1	0	2,246	2,940
Herbicides (MT)	20	37	128,870	193,623	2	0	5,152	2,097
Insecticides (MT)	12	15	89,493	108,156	1	0	5,888	513
Other pesticides (MT)	19	18	65,622	66,672	--	--	2,393	0
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	1,645,201	2,164,165	--	--	146,052	184,680
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	--	128	872,293	1,142,405	--	9	80,688	96,779
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	--	--	792,508	1,019,760	--	--	65,364	87,902
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	76,483	73,288	--	--	6,693	7,078

Table 3--U.S. Agricultural Exports (\$ Million)

Commodity	June	July	August	FY to date	Change 1/	Percent
Total	2,675.8	2,622.7	2,876.4	32,024.3	25.5	
Live animals	28.1	41.6	74.4	446.4	30.1	
Meat & prep.	204.2	196.7	241.3	1,979.5	27.7	
Hides & skins	154.3	136.7	146.0	1,693.3	9.4	
Wheat	364.7	380.1	406.5	3,976.2	56.7	
Rice	47.0	66.6	43.4	668.6	32.5	
Corn	339.1	366.7	503.0	3,844.9	38.1	
Other coarse grains	50.4	76.4	44.9	691.8	18.6	
Soybeans	242.4	275.4	322.7	2,934.1	19.9	
Animal feeds	238.1	204.5	225.6	2,934.1	11.4	
Vegetable oils	120.7	76.0	51.3	856.9	84.7	
Horticultural prod.	330.8	312.2	323.7	3,683.6	14.8	
Cotton and linters	188.5	110.3	89.5	2,062.7	54.5	
Tobacco, unmf.	62.8	65.6	70.1	1,215.2	5.4	
Sugar products	23.3	23.6	21.3	187.0	0.1	

1/ Percent change from previous year.

Table 4--U.S. Agricultural Imports (Customs value) (\$ Million)

Commodity	June	July	August	FY to date	Change 1/	Percent
Total	1,611.8	1,603.3	1,856.9	19,360.9	1.5	
Live animals	43.1	27.0	46.9	679.5	12.9	
Meat & prep.	263.8	213.8	244.4	2,600.8	1.8	
Dairy prod.	74.1	76.1	84.1	810.0	7.5	
Grains & feeds	78.3	69.5	89.8	823.1	19.8	
Fruits & nuts	145.6	205.7	243.9	2,713.9	0.0	
Vegetables	116.2	105.4	106.4	1,482.8	5.2	
Vegetable oils	58.7	60.6	86.2	653.0	47.0	
Wine	76.0	69.8	67.8	901.5	2.5	
Sugar	40.7	36.5	47.7	332.3	(27.1)	
Tobacco, unmf.	52.1	54.9	58.4	551.5	(7.6)	
Coffee	142.0	247.8	252.2	2,400.3	(20.2)	
Cocoa	84.0	68.3	90.3	1,093.7	7.0	
Rubber, natural	75.7	60.7	108.4	867.6	32.1	

Numbers in parentheses are negative.

1/ Percent change from previous year.

Table 5--U.S. Agricultural Trade Summary (\$ Million)

Item	July	August	FY to date	Change 1/	Percent
Agricultural exports	2,622.7	2,876.4	32,024.3	26	
Imports (c.i.f.)	1,738.7	2,062.9	21,254.6	0	
Imports (Customs value)	1,603.3	1,856.9	19,360.9	2	
Trade Balance:					
Exports minus c.i.f.					
Imports	884.0	813.5	10,769.7	147	
Exports minus Customs valued imports	1,019.4	1,019.5	12,663.4	96	

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1/ Percent change from previous year.

Table 6--Export Enhancement Program Sales, 1987-88

Commodity	Fiscal 1987	Fiscal 1988	Percent Change
Total value	- Million Dollars - 1,698.0	3,271.0	93.0
Wheat	-- 1,000 tons -- 14,339.0	26,296.0	83.0
Flour (gr. equiv.)	879.0	441.0	(50.0)
Barley	3,313.0	1,700.0	(49.0)
Barley malt	135.0	72.0	(47.0)
Grain sorghum	106.0	213.0	101.0
Rice	28.0	120.0	329.0
Vegetable oil	25.0	357.0	1,328.0
Poultry, frozen	94.0	14.0	(85.0)
Dairy cattle (1,000)	47.0	16.0	(66.0)
Eggs, table (million)	258.0	129.0	(50.0)

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